

## CHILDREN OF STRIKERS PARADE FIFTH AVENUE

Tots from Lawrence March Behind Bugler and Drum Corps.

### 92 FIND TEMPORARY HOMES

Commander of Militia in Lawrence Protests Against Sending the Children from There.

The strike order given out in Lawrence, Mass., to "clear the decks for action," which precipitated 150 children into New York last week was repeated yesterday, and instead of crowding into trains on the third avenue elevated, about one hundred tots under the guardianship of strike sympathizers and their friends and headed by a bugler and drum corps, marched boldly down Fifth avenue yesterday afternoon flaunting black crepe and red banners. The children were led down the avenue to 16th street, across Union Square to Fourth avenue, and from there to Arlington Hall in 8th street, where they were distributed among their temporary guardians.

The exodus yesterday, which landed a little squad of children of at least ten different nationalities in the city, was a coup executed in fear of possible action on the part of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, to prevent the children coming here. At 7 o'clock yesterday morning the ninety-two children who were to leave their homes were snatched from their beds, given a hurried breakfast and taken to the railroad station. There they took the train for Boston, where they remained until 10 o'clock, when they boarded the train for New York, which arrived at 4:30 o'clock at the Grand Central Station.

When the train bearing the little pilgrims arrived they trooped into the station to the accompaniment of tremendous cheering from the crowds and were quickly led through the station and out a side entrance into Lexington avenue, where they were formed in line and taken down half a block, where the march across to Fifth avenue began.

Close behind the bass drum and the bugler, the chiefs of the strike committee and two young men bearing crimson banners with crepe ribbons dangling from their folds marched the first of the "strikers"—five tiny children. With the help of their guardians they bore a big piece of white linoleum, on which was the motto, "Some Day We Shall Remember Exile." From out the swaying line behind them, which stretched back for more than a block, arose other banners, bearing such legends as "You May Jail Men but You Can't Jail Ideas," "Shall Lawrence Strikers Thank God for Their Misery?" and one—especially complimentary to New York—which read, "Children of Lawrence on Their Way to Siberia."

At Union Square the parade paused for a moment to disband and leave a few speakers, who harangued the home-going night crowds from the steps of a small pavilion. The children were hurried on to Arlington Hall. There they were treated to a dinner provided by the local committee, and later received bags of candy from Mrs. Adolph Hollander, of No. 10 St. Mark's place. Then the work of distributing them to their volunteer guardians followed.

The allotment was followed by the medical inspection, carried on by physicians from the Italian Medical Society, and all of the youngsters were pronounced in perfect health.

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 17.—Colonel Sweetser, in command of the provisional regiment of militia here, made public to-night a statement explanatory of his action in cautioning the strike committee about sending children of the strikers away from the city. The statement says:

This morning the strike leaders collected more than one hundred little children, many of them under five years of age, put them into a car to ship them to New York and other cities to be exploited through the country like a lot of animals, and they are intimidated by setting them up as orphans, and no other reason, as this question was discussed in their meeting.

But strike leaders—those leaders that do not live here in Lawrence or even in the state, and who never worked in these mills, and I do not believe from my experience here that the parents of these children want this done or that they give their consent freely to being separated from their children. I have reports that in some cases they are intimidated by setting their children go, and some of those little ones are not the children of the strikers.

I am not going to stand idly by and allow this to continue unless I am ordered to do so by a higher authority. I have notified Mr. Yates by letter and through him the strike committee that I will not permit the sending of little children away for any purpose without the consent of their parents. Those children are not starving, and no child or any one else will starve in Lawrence. The city of Lawrence is not a place where the children of the strikers, who are Massachusetts men, although they are not in the city, will never allow any one to starve in their presence.

### STRIKE PEACE SEEMS NEAR

Good Chance of Settlement, Says Labor Committee.

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 17.—A report that there is an excellent chance of early adjustment of the textile strike was issued officially to-night by the general strike committee of the Central Labor Union. This statement, which is signed by James R. Menzie, treasurer of the committee, says:

Reports that have been published which stated that final answers from the mill owners had been received by the general committee are not correct. While the negotiations are somewhat slow, the committee feels there is a good chance for a settlement of all the difficulties.

According to members of the general committee, there is reason to believe that the answer of the mill men would have been submitted to-day but for a request from some of the sub-committees to the mill men for an opportunity to clarify minor points. The intimation was given that something definite might be expected to-morrow morning from the mill offices in Boston, and that from the nature of the sub-committee reports it was hoped that the communications would lead to a settlement of the existing difficulties. A meeting of the general committee has been called for to-morrow afternoon.

### 'BROOKLYN TIMES' CELEBRATES Dinner Marks Sixty-fourth Anniversary of Its Beginning.

A dinner marking the sixty-fourth anniversary of the founding of "The Brooklyn Times" was held at the Hanover Club, Bedford avenue and Rodney street, Brooklyn, last night. One hundred and fifty guests, including the present staff and many former employees of the paper, were present.

John M. Croukshank, vice-president of the company, was toastmaster, and the guest of honor was Colonel Andrew D. Baird, president of the Brooklyn Times Corporation. Other speakers were Almon Gunnison, president of St. Lawrence University; Register Edward T. O'Laughlin, the Rev. Dr. William B. Farrell, William M. Calder, E. A. Merritt, Jr., Justice Isaac F. Russell, Frank P. Fogarty, F. J. H. Kracke, the Rev. Dr. J. M. Carson, Edward Riegelmann, Darwin R. James and A. R. Partridge.

### CIVIL SERVICE COMPLAINT

Reform Association Charges Abuse in Merit Plan.

The Civil Service Reform Association, through Samuel H. Ordway, chairman of the executive committee, sent a letter to Governor Dix on Friday regarding the excessive number of places exempted from competitive examination by the State Civil Service Commission. The association charges that a careful inspection of the list of appointments for 1911 will show that the action of the commission in several instances was influenced by political considerations. The association asks Governor Dix to verify its statements as to alleged abuses committed by the state commission.

Mr. Ordway declares that the figures put forward by the commission in defense of its action and used by the Governor in his annual message to the Legislature have been analyzed, with the result that it has been shown that the commission, upon any fair basis of comparison, has gone far beyond any of its predecessors during the previous ten years in letting down the bars against the spoils system which were erected by Article V, Section 5, of the state constitution. The association then shows another method which it alleges the state commission has employed in avoiding the constitutional requirement for competition wherever practicable.

The association states that the civil service law makes provision for the exceptional case in which a competitive place of high grade cannot practically be filled by competition, but surrounds this provision with stringent conditions for the protection of the merit system.

Some of these conditions are that the post must be one requiring peculiar and exceptional qualifications of a scientific, professional or educational character, and that there must be satisfactory evidence that it can best be filled by the selection of some designated person of high and recognized attainments in such qualities.

The Civil Service Reform Association asserts that unless all these conditions are met in every instance it is obvious that the commission is guilty of an abuse of discretion in allowing the appointment of an individual to a place classified as competitive without requiring him to undergo an examination.

### WROTE LOVE POEMS, IS SUED

Jersey City Woman Wants \$10,000 from Retired Broker.

I long to clasp thee in my arms,  
To hold thy hands in mine,  
I wonder if the Lord will grant  
This happy meeting time.

I long to call you dearie,  
And hear your soft reply,  
Perhaps you think I'd die,  
But for you, my dear, I'd die.

By these and other verses and not a few letters Miss Ella Achenbach, of No. 128 Mercer street, Jersey City, hopes to win her suit of breach of promise which she began yesterday against Edwin B. Haughton, a retired broker, of Red Bank. The suit is for \$10,000 and will be tried in the Supreme Court of Jersey City.

Aaron Menliker, plaintiff's lawyer, declared yesterday that a volume of letters which Miss Achenbach says passed between Haughton and herself will be offered in evidence along with many verses heavily laden with affectionate terms.

Two divorce cases and one wedding are tangled in the romance. Miss Achenbach was known as Mrs. Ella Seepie when, she says, she met Haughton in 1908, both of whom were married at the time, although both were separated from their life partners. In 1909 Miss Achenbach says, she consented to become Mrs. Haughton.

According to Miss Achenbach, Mrs. Haughton then brought suit for divorce, naming Mrs. Seepie and won her suit. Mrs. Seepie in turn divorced her husband and assumed her maiden name, then, Miss Achenbach declares, when she expected to become Haughton's bride he married some one else.

### SUES HUSBAND FOR \$35,031

Mrs. J. P. McQuaide, Seeking Divorce, Makes New Complaint.

Mrs. Sarah S. McQuaide filed in the Supreme Court yesterday her complaint in the action which she has brought for divorce against James E. McQuaide, former vice-president of the National Conduit and Cable Company. At the same time Mrs. McQuaide filed her complaint in a suit to recover \$35,031 from her husband.

The affairs of the McQuaides have been very much complicated by reason of a divorce which McQuaide obtained from his wife in Florida, and which she contends is not valid. Since he won the Florida divorce the husband has married Miss Gertrude Reynolds, formerly a Weber & Pfaendler dancer, and they are now living at the Hotel Plaza. They returned to this city last month after a long stay at McQuaide's place in Surrey, England.

In her suit for divorce Mrs. McQuaide names Mrs. Gertrude Reynolds McQuaide as one of the respondents. She alleges also that McQuaide lived for six years with one Miss Marian Roberts. The couple were married in 1890 and had three children, aged twenty, nineteen and thirteen years. McQuaide also maintains a house in Miami, Fla.

As to the suit for money, Mrs. McQuaide says that in 1904 she advanced to her husband \$32,031 on his note, which he has not paid. She also alleges that in the same year McQuaide mortgaged for \$5,000 property belonging to her, sold jewelry belonging to her for \$10,000 and sold 200 shares of stock which she owned for \$3,000.

### DIVORCES TWICE REBUFFED

Philadelphia Ministers Refuse to Marry New York Couple.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.) Philadelphia, Feb. 17.—Two ministers to-day declined to marry Paul Lacroix, an importer, of No. 35 West 85th street, New York, and Mrs. Susie P. Bailey, of No. 260 West 78th street, that city. The reason given by both ministers is that the divorce given by both ministers is not in conformity with the laws of this state. The prospective bride and groom were driving around Philadelphia in a taxicab in an effort to find a minister to perform the ceremony. Mrs. Bailey refusing to be married by a magistrate.

The couple came to this city this morning, and immediately went to the marriage license bureau and obtained a license. Lacroix said he was born in Paris on February 7, 1889, and that his former wife, Thea, had obtained a divorce from him on June 3 last at White Plains, N. Y. The prospective bride secured a divorce in Cook County, Ill., on April 6 of last year.

Accompanied by two Philadelphia friends, they first called upon the Rev. Robert S. Moore, pastor of the Scots Presbyterian Church. Everything went all right, and Moore said he was willing to perform the ceremony, when Dr. Moore asked he had been divorced on statutory grounds. Dr. Moore immediately closed his prayer-book and announced that both his Church and his conscience would not let him perform such a ceremony.

The party then called at the home of the Rev. Henry W. Stringer, of the South Broad Street Baptist Church. There they were met by Mrs. Stringer, who informed them that her husband would not perform the ceremony under any circumstances.

"Lacroix is the New York agent of a French automobile company,"

W. J. CUMMINS GETS DELAY.

Justice Davis granted yesterday the motion of William J. Cummins to extend to February 29 his time to file an appeal to the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court from his conviction. Cummins was chairman of the executive committee of the Carnegie Trust Company and was convicted of larceny while an officer of that institution. He is now out on bail pending the disposition of his appeal by the highest court.

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### TAFT SEES GRIDIRON FUN

Scribes, as "Candidates," Woo Miss Democracy.

### WILSON GETS A PEDIGREE

Governor Described as "Woodrow W., Sired by Jim Smith and Damned by Watterson."

Washington, Feb. 17.—Miss Democracy was the belle of the midwinter dinner of the Gridiron Club to-night, while members disguised to represent the several candidates for the Democratic Presidential nomination entertained with their wooing a distinguished company, including President Taft, some of the cabinet members in person, prominent members of Congress of all factions and guests from a number of states. Festivities began as usual with the blazing up of the red and white lights of the immense gridiron over the head of the presiding officer.

Louis Garthe, of "The Baltimore American," was initiated as president of the club, and was subjected to a grilling cross-examination by ten Presidential candidates in order to test his fitness. Champ Clark favored tearing down custom houses and annexing Canada. La Follette asked what he would think of "God's patient poor biting a piece out of a fat corporation every day," while Oscar Underwood put his question into rhyme, thus:

If I cut steel and steel cut me,  
Can I cut ice as a nominee?

The answer was: "Not if Mr. Bryan sees you first."

To the "gentlemen's court of honor" was left the reply to Woodrow Wilson's query: "Is the schoolmaster abroad safer than at home?" Harmon's pathetic appeal: "Run, run, for a real President, which would you rather have, Cleveland's blessing, Bryan's curse or an Ohio candidate against you?" brought forth the comfortable answer: "My candidate is not running in Ohio."

The tenuous opera of "Robin Hood" was the vehicle for the presentation of a number of prominent Progressives. Most of them had sought the bosky shades of Sherwood Forest for the sake of its tall timber, hence they fell easily into Robin's merry crew. There was Little John (Jim) Garfield, Will Scarlet La Follette, Friar Pinchard and good Dame Marketers, besides Robin Hood, who, introducing himself as an outlaw, sang:

But outlaws now, you see,  
Are men of wealth and rank and pedigree.

There was a "loud blast" from a bugle in the forest depths, and it was announced: "That's Bob La Follette," a very faint blast. "That's Cummings," a general in-sufficiency of "Henry Watterson is in conference with Woodrow Wilson."

That tuneful air "Old Crossbow" was given a strange twist, as follows:

A statesman who dwelt on the "Outlook" edge  
Was doted with his old Big Stick;  
He hit it an awful lick,  
He stopped awhile and to begin again;  
He hit it both nose and fat;  
If you wait for the office to seek the man,  
The office says, "Stay where you are!"

It remained for the "Democratic Presidential Steeplechase" skit to bring out the candidates in full force. A bookmaker appeared, with his blackboard, sheet writer and other apparatus, and announced the entries, which included the following:

"Here is Woodrow W., sired by Jim Smith and damned by Henry Watterson; breezed out well on his last trial; going fast under a hard pull."

"Next is Judson H., an old campaigner, begot by Grover C., a famous stake horse, and sired by W. J. Bryan."

The funniest kind of betting followed, and the horses got away, but, unfortunately, the Gridiron Club failed to enlighten its guests as to the names of the winners, for just as the ponies were hunched in the homestretch in an exciting finish the police raided the hall and "pinched" the bookmaker.

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Cigars  
Apollinaris  
Haute Sauterne  
Coffee  
Cigarettes

### WATERS-PIERCE SHARES DROP

Fight with Rockefeller Interests Causes Decline of \$300.

The stock of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company has suffered a drop of about \$300 a share since the annual meeting in St. Louis on Thursday, when the fight for control of the company between the Rockefeller and Pierce interests developed. On the day of the meeting the stock was selling around \$1,200 a share; on Friday the price dropped \$1,000, and yesterday it was quoted at \$700 bid, \$1,000 offered.

The Waters-Pierce company acts as distributing agent for the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, and the decline in its stock is attributed to selling by holders who fear that if the Rockefellers lose their fight for control of the company, the Standard Oil Company of Indiana may stop furnishing it with oil.

### PREPARING FOR MINERS' STRIKE.

Pittsburgh, Feb. 17.—Railroads in the Pittsburgh district are preparing for a coal strike and large quantities of coal are being stored. At the Kermis yards of the Pittsburgh, Bessemer & Lake Erie Railroad, near Greentown, Penn., a large force is employed day and night with portable steam derricks unloading entire trains of coal companies in the district are working the full time filling contracts, much of the coal being stored.

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### CANTOR SUED FOR \$20,000

Sister-in-Law Says Sirota Induced Brother to Leave Her.

Gerson Sirota, the much heralded cantor of Warsaw, Russia, who is now in this country on a concert tour, is the defendant in a suit which his sister-in-law, Mrs. Golda Sirota, has brought against him for \$20,000 damages for inducing her husband, Guedalia Sirota, to abandon her and also for alleged malicious statements which the singer has made about her. The summons in the case made about on Sirota last Wednesday evening at Carnegie Hall, where he made his first public appearance.

Mrs. Sirota says she was married to her husband in 1901 in Wilna, Russia. They came to this country last June. According to Mrs. Sirota, her brother-in-law, the cantor, always had shown an unfriendly and hostile attitude toward her, for which she could not account. And in letters after she and her husband came to New York, she says, Sirota used to write to his brother making malicious and untrue statements about her and advising him to leave her. Mrs. Sirota said she did not know the reason for this alleged conduct on the part of the defendant. Then on February 6 the Warsaw cantor came to this country for his concert tour, and soon after his arrival his brother left his wife. She did not see him again until last Thursday, when she caused his arrest for non-support.

Guedalia Sirota, who is also a singer, was arraigned yesterday in Domestic Relations Court in Brooklyn, and Magistrate Dooley ordered him to pay his wife \$3 a week. The husband said he was out of employment and could not provide for his wife.

### VACANT PLOT BRINGS \$600,000

Apartment House May Be Built on Site Adjoining J. A. Burden's Home.

The sale of a vacant Fifth avenue plot adjoining the home of James A. Burden, at the south corner of 72d street, yesterday caused reports to be spread in real estate circles that an apartment house might be erected on the site. The plot is in the heart of the so-called "millionaire row" section, and measures 91 by 125 feet. It is owned by the estate of Seth Barton French and was sold by the Douglas Robinson Co. for \$600,000.

It was planned last year to erect on the plot just sold, together with the Burden property, a twelve story apartment house. The scheme was not carried out, however, owing to objections of neighboring residents.

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